



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q69090

Masahiro OKUDA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/089,185

Group Art Unit: 1654

Confirmation No.: 5134

Examiner: Michael V. Meller

Filed: March 27, 2002

For: MEANS FOR STABILIZATION OF THROMBIN AND COMPOSITIONS

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

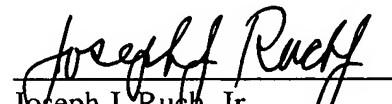
An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c) is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	24	-	20	=	4	X	\$18.00 = \$72.00
Independent	1	-		=		X	\$86.00 = \$0.00
TOTAL							<u>\$72.00</u>

EXCESS CLAIM FEE
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Please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-4880 in the amount of \$72.00. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: August 9, 2004

RCE/1654
JFW**REQUEST****FOR****CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

MAIL STOP RCE
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

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First Named Inventor	Masahiro OKUDA
Group Art Unit	1654
Examiner Name	Michael V. Meller
Matter Number	Q69090
Title	MEANS FOR STABILIZATION OF THROMBIN AND COMPOSITIONS

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on _____
 Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 Amendment/Reply
 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 Petition for Extension of Time
 Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ Months
b. Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

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Signature *Joseph J. Ruch* Date August 9, 2004



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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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